



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Hiroyuki ABURATANI et al.  
Serial No.: 10/568,471  
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For: **GENE OVEREXPRESSED IN CANCER**  
Examiner: Meera NATARAJAN

MAIL STOP: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2008, please reconsider the above-referenced patent application, based on the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.